

The legendary Belgian violinist Eugène Ysaÿe is widely considered the arbiter of modern violin technique and style. In the last decade of his life, he composed these six sonatas for solo violin. Iconic, generation-defining, and spellbinding, they quickly joined the repertoire as successors to Bach's works for solo violin. Hilary Hahn recorded all six of his sonatas in a wave of inspiration, in honor of the set's first centenary. This is truly hypnotic music that resonates long after the final notes have been played, much as Ysaÿe's enormous influence carries on today.

## EUGÈNE YSAÏE (1858–1931)

### Six Sonatas for Violin Solo op. 27

#### Sonata No. 1 in G minor – À Joseph Szigeti

- 1. Grave. Lento assai
- 2. Fugato. Molto moderato
- 3. Allegretto poco scherzoso. Amabile – Poco animato
- 4. Finale con brio. Allegro fermo

#### Sonata No. 2 in A minor – À Jacques Thibaud

- 1. Obsession. Prélude. Poco vivace – Meno mosso – Tempo vivo
- 2. Malinconia. Poco lento
- 3. Danse des ombres. Sarabande (lento) – Var. 1 – Var. 2 (Musette) – Var. 3 Minore – Var. 4 – Var. 5 – Var. 6
- 4. Les Furies. Allegro furioso

#### Sonata No. 3 in D minor "Ballade" – À George Enescu

- Ballade. Lento molto sostenuto – Molto moderato quasi lento – Allegro in tempo giusto e con bravura – Poco meno – a Tempo I<sup>o</sup> – Tempo poco più vivo e ben marcato – Più mosso

#### Sonata No. 4 in E minor – À Fritz Kreisler

- 1. Allemanda. Lento maestoso
- 2. Sarabande. Quasi lento
- 3. Finale. Presto ma non troppo – Giocosamente e meno mosso – Tempo I<sup>o</sup> – Più animato ma poco

#### Sonata No. 5 in G major – À Mathieu Crickboom

- 1. L'Aurore. Lento assai
- 2. Danse rustique. Allegro giocoso molto moderato – Moderato amabile – Tempo I<sup>o</sup> – Poco più mosso

#### Sonata No. 6 in E major – À Manuel Quiroga

- Allegro giusto non troppo vivo – Allegretto poco scherzando – Allegro Tempo I<sup>o</sup>

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